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Senate No. SJR0281
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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend publisher/editor Ellen M.
Addison and the *Rogersville Review*.

WHEREAS, the *Rogersville Review* has been a vital part of the Rogersville and Hancock County community for more than a century, doing an excellent job of keeping area residents informed about local affairs and issues and playing a crucial role in the growth and prosperity of the region; and

WHEREAS, it was in historic Rogersville, the second oldest city in Tennessee, that George Roulstone and Robert Ferguson set up and printed from the first press in the territory, the *Knoxville Gazette*, on November 5, 1791; and

WHEREAS, many newspapers followed the *Gazette*, but it was Will Robertson who began publishing the *Holston Review*, in July, 1885, and soon changed the name to the *Rogersville Review*, which has since been published under that name; and

WHEREAS, under the dynamic leadership of such former publishers as Eleanor Sheets and George L. Berry, the *Rogersville Review* has won numerous awards for its exemplary style of journalism; and

WHEREAS, the *Rogersville Review* was the last newspaper in that state of Tennessee to surrender its letter press; and

WHEREAS, the newspaper, traditionally a once-a-week publication, has decided to print a second weekly edition on Saturdays, in recognition of the increasing needs of its readers and advertisers; and

WHEREAS, the current highly regarded publisher/editor of the *Rogersville Review* is Ellen M. Addison; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to specially recognize this fine paper which has meant so much to its community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Ellen M. Addison and the *Rogersville Review* and extend our best wishes for continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.